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SOMETHING TO MAKE EVERY ONE
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in Wrap and Fur department that will make excellent gifts. If you anticipate a Seal Skin, buy it now. We will keep it till the 25th for you, and we will save you money—also guarantee quality.

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Sealette Jackets—That to any but the experienced eye look equal to real seal—are plain or have collar and revers of astrachan, mink, marten or fox, from \$37.50 to \$75.00 each.

An elegant imported Vicuna Cloth Jacket, lined with satin, at..... **\$4.98**

A Jacket of English Melton, dressy and durable, lined with silk serge..... **\$7.48**

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Choice styles of Ladies' Golf Capes..... **\$6.48**

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FURS of every kind and made in styles most popular, at remarkably low prices.

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HANDKERCHIEFS.

We have placed on display this week an exceptional line of Handkerchiefs for the holiday season, in which you will find a selection of the finest and daintiest of fabrics and designs in all qualities.

Prices Range From 5c to \$15 Each.

Special Display and Opening of
Decorative Art Society,
Tuesday, December 5---2d Floor.

GEO. R. TAYLOR COMPANY.

D. GUNDLING & CO.

Hasn't the Touch of

Klondike
Weather

warned you that it is high time to be getting into heavier weights?

When you go cloth hunting look at our handsome **FALL AND WINTER SUITS**—Nobby stripes, fancy worsteds, black and blue chevrons, from \$10.00 up. Splendid heavy weight **OVERCOATS**—Kersey, black, blue, brown and olive, from \$10.00 up. You'll be glad if you DO, and you'll be sorry if you DON'T come to us, for your **FALL AND WINTER CLOTHES**. Will not cost you a cent to come in and look.

Lots of Christmas fixings for Man and Boy. Beautiful Sweaters (college colors), Leggings for the little ones, Christmas Neckwear and a beautiful line of Mufflers.

D. GUNDLING & CO.

34 and 36 Twelfth Street.

"THE LOCK GAME"

Tried With Success by Two Smooth
Colored Gentlemen.

BUT THE HANDS OF THE LAW

Were Soon Laid Heavily Upon the
Crooks, and They Now Repose Be-
hind the Bars at the County Jail.
The Victim, an Eighth Ward Man,
is Out \$20 on the Deal—The Ar-
rest Was Made in Bridgeport.

Two colored men figured in a bold highway robbery at the public wharf, on the river front, yesterday afternoon about 1 o'clock. Their victim was William Schafer, an aged resident of Thirty-third street, who lost \$20. The men were Alfred McGee and Ed Booker, and their hearing will occur this afternoon before Squire Rogers. They are in jail in default of \$500 bond. The charge is highway robbery.

According to Schafer's recital, he was approached by the colored fellows, who succeeded in interesting him in the "lock game," and he pulled \$20 from his pocket with which to back his judgment, whereupon the money was instantly snatched from his hands. There was a small crowd of people about and Schafer's alarm created excitement. The colored men escaped across the river to Bridgeport, on a street car, but a telephone message from Captain Clemons to the Bridgeport police, effected their arrest by Officer Melster, as soon as they got off the car.

They were brought to Wheeling by Officer Walker, of the Wheeling police, and Officer Melster, and were identified by Schafer. The robbery was singularly bold and the capture was effected in a most creditable manner.

A Damage Action.

An interesting civil action for damages was placed on trial before Squire Rogers yesterday. Misses Grace Bender and Adda Dowling each entered suit for \$300 against August Hottman and wife, for injuries alleged to have been sustained by falling through a trap door in the restaurant, until recently conducted by Hottman, on Market street, opposite the postoffice. The girls were employed in the restaurant. Miss Bender's leg was broken by her fall. Carelessness is alleged on Hottman's part. His wife is named as defendant in case certain property is turned over by her husband.

Squire Rogers continued the suits until December 15. The attorneys for the plaintiff are Messrs. W. P. Robinson and A. L. Sawtell, and for the defendants, Messrs. J. E. W. McCulley and Charles Schuck.

At the Y. M. C. A. To-night.

The supper and concert at the Y. M. C. A. building to-night promises to be a pronounced success. All the arrangements for the supper are in capable hands and the concert programme is a brilliant one. Supper will be served by the members of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the association, from 5:30 to 7:30 o'clock. The menu will consist of fried oysters, chicken salad, cold meats, hot biscuits and other appetizing viands. The concert programme will begin promptly at 8:15. The vocal soloists will be Mrs. Flora Williams and Mrs. Zora Hastings Frazier, prime favorites with concert audiences. Prof. Edward Blumenberg will contribute one of his exquisite violin solos and the Philharmonic Club will render several choice selections. It is needless to say that a most generous patronage from the public is anticipated.

Teachers' Institute Saturday.

There will be a teachers' institute held at Triadelphia, next Saturday. The morning session opens at 9 o'clock. Topics that will be discussed are as follows: "Graded Manual," Prof. J. M. Skinner; "What Part Should the Teacher Take on the Play Ground?" P. M. Strychlin; "Friday Afternoon Exercises," Mary Terrell; "Proper Punishments," Annie Carter; "What Shall We Do With Lazy or Dull Pupils?" Jane McCoy; "Literature in the Schools," Adelle Brown; "How Do You Teach Writing?" Lena Menninger; "How Would You Prevent Whispering?" Ethel McCuskey; "How Would You Teach Numbers to Young Children?" W. P. Fish; "Moral Training," John Farmer and William Powell.

Church to Be Improved.

Plans for the remodeling and improvement of St. John's Evangelical Protestant church have been accepted by the building committee, and the work will begin early in the new year. Architect Leimer will have supervision and he has been instructed to solicit bids. The interior of the church will be re-frescoed. Next year the semi-centennial of this congregation will be celebrated.

The building committee has organized by electing Henry Riebersen, president, and Dr. W. H. Zimmer, secretary. The other members are Messrs. John Friedel, F. Schmeichel and Rev. William Ulfert. The bazaar recently held by this church netted the handsome profit of \$1,425.

PEARL Handle Pens, with Gold Point, 75c.
W. J. LUKENS, One Price Jeweler.

FRIED Oysters and Chicken Salad included in a menu of substantial and delicious at Y. M. C. A., Thursday evening. Supper followed by concert by Philharmonic Quartette, with Prof. Blumenberg, Mrs. Flora Williams and Mrs. F. H. Frazier, soloists. Supper, 75c. Concert, 25c. Supper and concert, 50c.

CHATELAIN Watches for Girls.
W. J. LUKENS, One Price Jeweler.

FAMILY WASHING.
Rough Dry Washed, Starched and Dried 5 cents per pound.
Flat Work, Washed and Ironed, 5 cents per pound.
All hand work finished 10 cents per pound. At LUTZ BROS'.
Home Steam Laundry.

CASORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the
Signature of
Charles H. Littleton

BRIEF MENTIONINGS.

Events in and About the City Given
in a Nutshell.

Opera House to-night—Jeffries-Sparkey fight pictures.

This is board of public works pay day at the city clerk's office.

Friday evening, Prof. O'Connor's dancing classes will give a hop, with music by Prof. Long.

In Tuesday's New York Journal is a photo-engraving, showing congressmen and committee clerks in the capitol at Washington, going over anti-Roberts petitions. One of the clerks in the picture is David Dinger, of this city.

No time has been set for the resumption of the tin mills in this section operated by the American Tin Plate Company. The employees of the La Belle plant were expecting orders to start this week, but one of the officials stated that this mill would not resume before the holidays.

The monthly report of Warden Hawk, of the penitentiary, shows the total number of prisoners received during November was thirty-three, of whom nineteen were United States and fourteen state. Sixteen of the United States prisoners were from Washington and three were sent up from Charleston. The number of prisoners discharged was twelve.

Holiday Mail Business.

Although Christmas is nearly three weeks distant, the holiday mail business is already on, and Superintendent of Mails John T. Cowl is having his troubles, as usual. Yesterday a package, containing two beautiful dolls, was received without postage, and with nothing to indicate the name of the sender, excepting a card, "From Aunt Lacie." Persons sending presents through the mail, should remember that the name and address of the sender should appear on the package, so that any mistake like the one referred to may be remedied.

SCHOOL TEACHER

Pulled Down Hill.

"I relied on coffee so much to keep me up, having been told that it was a 'mild stimulant,' that I hardly knew what to do when I found it was really pulling me down hill. My sleep was badly broken at night, and I was all unstrung. Am a school teacher, and was exceedingly nervous."

"When it became evident that I was in a very bad condition I was induced to leave off coffee, and try Postum Food Coffee. Mother made it first, but none of us could endure it, it was so flat and tasteless. She proposed to throw the package away, but I said: 'Suspend judgment until we have made it strictly according to directions.' It seems she had made the Postum like she always made coffee, taking it off the stove as soon as it began to boil. Mother was so prejudiced against it that she did not care to try it again, but I got sister to make the Postum next morning strictly according to directions, that is, allow it to boil full fifteen minutes after the boiling begins."

"We were all amazed at the difference. Sister said it was better coffee, to her taste, than the old, and father, who is an elderly gentleman, and had used coffee all his life, appeared to relish the Postum as well as my little brother, who took it from the first."

"For a while, mother clung to her old favorite, although she was sick more or less of the time. Finally, one morning, she drank a cup of Postum by mistake, believing it to be coffee. We joked her so much about it, because she did not discover the difference, that she finally admitted she had occasionally taken a sip of the Postum Coffee, and from that time she proposed to use it altogether. Her health had been very greatly improved, and we are all strong advocates of Postum. Please omit my name from publication."—Flagler, Col. Name can be given by Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich.

Improved Mail Service.

Beginning last Monday, trains No. 7 and No. 46, on the Baltimore & Ohio.

THE NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Do You Want An Insurance

free from the ambiguities and chance of contestability or forfeiture; a piece of property which will not only protect the future of yourself and family, but will be a merchantable asset without fluctuation in value so danger of loss through your misfortune or negligence?

The National Life Insurance Company,
of MONTPELIER, VERMONT,

with its experience of nearly fifty years of unbroken prosperity and reputation for fair and equitable dealing, furnishes such an insurance in its

ENDOWMENT BOND

A CONTRACT OF SPECIFIC GUARANTEES,

which pledges payment if the insured keeps it in force by payment of the specified premiums, of the face value at maturity or period of death, and guarantees, if premium payments are discontinued, three methods of settlement which are endorsed in a Bond issued at

AGE OF 25 FOR \$1,000, PREMIUMS \$46.75.

At End of Year.	Term Insurance for \$1,000.	Cash Payable at end of term.	OR ON APPLICATION WITHIN THREE MONTHS.	
			A Cash and Loan Value.	On a Paid-up, Participating Bond.
2.....for 27 years, 239 days.....	\$ 30	of \$ 55.55	for \$ 115	
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6.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 171.02	for 250	
7.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 210.45	for 300	
8.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 254.21	for 350	
9.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 293.97	for 400	
10.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 335.32	for 450	
11.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 378.32	for 500	
12.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 423.20	for 550	
13.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 469.90	for 600	
14.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 518.40	for 650	
15.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 568.60	for 700	
16.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 620.40	for 750	
17.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 673.80	for 800	
18.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 728.80	for 850	
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20.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 843.60	for 950	
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25.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 1,161.60	for 1,000	
26.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 1,232.40	for 1,000	
27.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 1,305.80	for 1,000	
28.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 1,381.80	for 1,000	
29.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 1,460.40	for 1,000	
30.....for 15 " " " " " " " "	110	of 1,541.60	for 1,000	

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that the Company guarantees to grant you LOANS in cash at any time up to the amount of the available cash value and PARTICIPATION IN SURPLUS at the time selected by you.

THE NATIONAL, with net assets of more than \$15,000,000.00, is purely a policyholders' company managed in their interest, and every privilege and advantage is granted that is consistent with conservative business management.

CHARLES DEWEY,

President.

J. S. MILLIGAN,

General Agent.

City Bank Building, Wheeling, W. Va.

from Wheeling to Chicago via Newark, began carrying a mail car. By this arrangement mail from Wheeling and eastern Ohio will be carried into Columbus at 11:45 a. m., in time for delivery in the afternoon, saving several hours. The new postal car will give a local service between Wheeling and Chicago and between Newark and Wheeling.

Barton Has Not Resigned.

Asked as to the report that he had tendered his resignation, State Labor Commissioner I. V. Barton last night denied the report, which has been given some newspaper publicity. Mr. Barton said he would finish his biennial report on which he is now working, which will be ready in June next year. Furthermore, Mr. Barton had instituted no steps toward resigning his office, and he said he would very likely be in at the finish. His term expires in June, 1901.

FINE Umbrellas and Pocketbooks,
W. J. LUKENS, One Price Jeweler.

Mutual Savings Bank.

LOANS ON REAL ESTATE at 6 per cent, reducible every 6 months. Why not get a little ahead, then borrow enough to buy a home?

"He knew what's what, and that's as high as metaphysic wit can fly."—Butler.

They tried to lend him money, promising him everything, but he declined with thanks. "I know a good thing when I see it," he said, "and I will borrow only where promises are SURE—from the MUTUAL SAVINGS BANK, 1521 Market Street.

Give and Receive Presents!

Thousands of people do that—too many are stored away in some dark corner—useless and less desirable. Don't you think it would be more sensible to give presents of some use?—that would save money for the receiver—that would be economical and appreciative—that would beautify some home—give comfort and enjoyment—be lifelasting and a pleasure to buy?

Such Goods Are Here Galore.



\$2.62

For this Golden Oak or Mahogany Rocker, beautifully carved, high arms, finely finished—a present that would be appreciated.

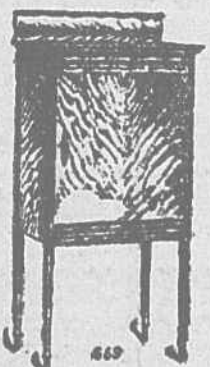


\$1.25 For this beautiful Squat Lamp and Decorated Globe—a nice present.



\$15.98

For this Golden Oak Combination Book Case and Secretary with oval shape bevel mirror, size 14x18 inches—wouldn't it be a good present.



\$6.48 A present for your Musical Friend—this Music Cabinet of piano polished wood.



\$6.98

Rich Velour Covered Couch—several rows of deep tufting—spring edge, fringe trimmed—a useful present.



\$4.48

For this Writing Desk. It would certainly be a banner article for a present at small cost.



House & Herrmann.